

# Suspect to Be Arraigned in \$16,000 Market Theft

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# CITY ROCKED IN BURGLARY WAVE

### A Penny for your Thoughts

With a new method of trash and garbage collection being used for the first time this week, five housewives were asked the following question: "What do you think of the new combined trash and garbage collection system?"

Mrs. R. S. Minech, 22634 Crosshill Ave.: "Maybe it is a little too soon to know since Wednesday was the first day it was tried out. Some of us have disposals so there is no trouble with garbage. I don't think it will cause any problem for people with disposals."

Mrs. Gary Dowd, 5526 Sunnyview St.: "I think it is a good idea. It is easier with no messy garbage pails to clean and no cans to keep separate. Of course, we have a disposal which makes things a lot easier."

Mrs. James R. Buchanan, 22719 Susana: "I prefer it because it does not take so many containers to put things out in, and it saves space. We don't have a disposal but we didn't seem to have any problem with the garbage. We just wrapped it up well."

Mrs. Pat Ziegelmeyer, 5732 Clearsite: "I found it more difficult because we have a big yard and usually put out a lot of cartons of clippings and leaves. I guess we'll have to buy more large tin containers to put things in."

Mrs. John Blair, 2221 Warm-side: "I think it is messy. I prefer the old way of keeping trash, cans and garbage separate. From what I saw Wednesday, it's unsanitary and I don't like it at all."

### Anesthesiology To Be Discussed

The next monthly meeting of the Harbor General Hospital Postgraduate Lecture series will be on Tuesday, March 14, at 8:00 p.m. in the E-1 Auditorium at Harbor General Hospital, Torrance.  
 The principal speaker of the evening will be R. M. S. Barrett, M.D., assistant professor of anesthesiology, UCLA and Head Physician Anesthesiology, who will discuss the "Management of Pain by Therapeutic Nerve Blocks," and Paul H. Lorhan, M.D., professor of anesthesiology, UCLA and Chief Physician Anesthesiology, Harbor General Hospital.



THAT-A-WAY . . . Det. Lt. Don Hamilton points the way for Grady Arthur Webb, 43, returned from Las Vegas Thursday evening to face charges that he was the man who fled with \$16,500 from the Lucky Market at Sepulveda and Hawthorne last month. Grady was returned by Hamilton and Det. Myles Hamilton, who took custody of him at the California-Nevada line. (Herald Photo)

## \$3000 More Found During Local Search

A dapper, 43-year-old ex-convict, who joshed with detectives and photographers while being booked on charges of robbing a Torrance market of \$16,500 last Feb. 17, will be arraigned on the charges in the South Bay Municipal Court here Monday.

Grady Arthur Webb, who was arrested in Las Vegas three days after the robbery, was returned to Torrance Thursday evening after Det. Lt. Don Hamilton and his partner, Myles Hamilton, had picked him up from a bail bondsman who was returning him to California.

WEBB protested that he didn't realize he was such a celebrity when his arrival here Thursday was greeted with popping flash bulbs by photographers from the HERALD and metropolitan newspapers.

When one reporter quipped that Don Hamilton, who had brought \$14,775 found in Webb's room in Las Vegas back to Torrance last week, was probably one of the few men who had gone to that plush gambling resort with \$25 and returned with nearly \$15,000, Webb cracked.

"Well, he didn't do it this time. He didn't even have a nickle to buy me a Coke."

ALTHOUGH showing apparent unconcern about facing the charges of pulling off the big robbery here, Webb reportedly has said that he was not going back to prison. He had served nine years at McNeil Island Penitentiary in New York and was on parole when charged with staging an Oakland robbery and the one in Torrance.

Return of the \$14,775 found in Webb's room in Las Vegas plus another \$3000 which turned up here yesterday, may solve the money worries for Lucky Market but it doesn't

## Looter Hits 5 Adjacent Stores Here

Burglars who went on a rampage in the city this weekend hit several homes and businesses, including five adjacent business establishments in the downtown area of the city.

First to report a break-in was Glynn's China Shop at 302 Avenue I. Manager Edmund J. Attschul told police someone broke the window in the rear door, and then broke a showcase inside to grab a quantity of jewelry before fleeing. An inventory was being completed at week's end to determine the loss.

Dr. William E. Grubb reported that someone pried open the rear door to his office at 2204 Torrance Blvd. and left with \$47.36 in cash. No narcotics were taken, he told police.

MRS. CARL Massie, at 1632 Fern Ave., said someone entered the garage at her home and removed a tire, car jack, lug wrench, and an emergency light from an auto parked there, and took a bicycle from the rear yard.

Thieves who raided the oil-field property of A. J. Markley here apparently did a day's work in the process, police theorized. Ramond C. Riley, who reported the thefts, said 121 joints of tubing, each 30 feet long and weighing 250 pounds, was among the items taken. Other equipment with a total value of \$2000 included vacuum pump, and 70 lengths of sucker rod 30 feet long.

MARIAN Smith at 5530 Towers, and Fred Anderson, 19209 Beckworth, each reported piggy bank burglars raided their homes. Two piggy banks with a total of \$12 was taken from the Smith home and one containing about \$18 was taken from the Anderson home.

Two juveniles, one 14 and the other 16, were booked by Police juvenile officers on suspicion of stealing the piggy banks.

EARL Beckwith, at 216 Paseo de Gracia, told police someone pried a door open at

his home, but apparently left without taking anything.

A bicycle belonging to Archie Turner, a student, at 3350 Torrance Blvd. was taken from the garage at the Turner home.

A burglar who hit the downtown area of Torrance broke into the offices of Robert C. Pannell, attorney, and Robert P. Waddell, accountant, at 1614 Cravens Ave. He left with about 100 four-cent stamps, and a coat belonging to Waddell.

NEXT DOOR at the L & M cafe, he kicked in the rear door, took about \$3 in change, ate some chicken salad, put the plate in the sink, and left.

Across the alley, he pried off a latch on the sign shop operated by Gale Hunn at 1618½ Cravens Ave. He got about \$3 there, also.

At 1618 Cravens Ave., he broke into the circulation office for a Redondo Beach newspaper, found no money, but helped himself to half a loaf of bread and some cheese, office manager Mona Johnson told police.

MOVING on to the Foster Freeze shop at 1624 Cravens Ave., he cut through a screen, opened the door, and fled with \$39.95.

William Watt, at 5316 Lorna, told police someone broke into a locked garage locker and removed a set of golf clubs.

Floyd Rogers, who operates a rug cleaning establishment at 1645 Border Ave., said someone attempted to break in the door to his building, but that a timber placed across the doorway prevented access.

## 60-Year-Old Climbs Hill After Crash

A 60-year-old Inglewood woman whose car skidded on Hawthorne Ave. above Newton St. and tumbled about 100 feet down into the canyon, crawled back to the roadway, summoned aid, and went on her way, according to Torrance police.

Officer Bill Winther, head of the accident investigation section of the police traffic division, said a car driven by Wilma Hughes of 10112 Prairie Ave. went out of control while traveling down the hill from Palos Verdes Estates, skidded off the roadway and into the canyon. The driver climbed out of the car, which had come to rest on its wheels, scaled the side of the canyon to reach the roadway, and by the time police were notified, had gone on to the home of her son-in-law in Palos Verdes Estates. A private physician reported later that she had suffered a slight cut on the head and some bumps.

## Scarlet Fever Hits Five in Torrance

Five cases of scarlet fever were reported to the Torrance Health Center from the city during the week which ended Feb. 25, the Los Angeles County Health Department reported yesterday. Also reported were two cases of measles.



THREE HURT . . . The driver and two of his passengers were injured when their convertible and another automobile collided at 164th St. and Crenshaw Blvd. Thursday night. Here Traffic Officer Philip Josephs checks car which had thrown its occupants onto the street. (Herald Photo)

## Trio Hurt When Car Flips, Tossing Them to Pavement

Four persons were injured, one seriously, in a two car crash here Thursday.

David Ruiz, 27, a Los Angeles City College student, was listed as serious after an accident at 164th St. and Crenshaw Blvd. in which two of Ruiz' passengers and the driver of a second car were injured.

TAKEN TO Little Company of Mary Hospital with Ruiz were Melcom Johnson, 19, and David Saul, 27, both of Los Angeles; and William Albert Coustling, 65, Redondo Beach, driver of the second car.

Ruiz, Johnson, and Saul were tossed onto the pavement by the impact of the crash, police investigators said. The Ruiz car flipped over after it and the Coustling car collided.

Police said Ruiz was driving northbound on Crenshaw and that the Coustling auto was eastbound on 164th St. when the crash occurred.

IN ANOTHER accident on 235th St. between Arlington and Crenshaw, William Randolph Blair, 16, of 2351 W. 235th St., and Douglas James

Gatewood, 19, of 3006 San Antonio St., were taken to private physicians after their autos collided.

Raymond Brown, 17, of 1733 W. 247th St., a passenger in the Gatewood auto to Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Blair is a Torrance High School student; Gatewood a student at Harbor College.

## One More In School Contest

The list of candidates for the three seats at stake at the April 18 board of education election grew to eight this week with the addition of Patricia B. Huber, 5408 Rockview, to the seven which the HERALD has previously announced.

Filing early were the three incumbents, Joseph H. Arnold, Grace Wright, and Robert Ellis.

Earliest challengers to file were Edward F. Broderick and Jack C. Knibb, who had returned declarations of their candidacy by Feb. 20.



WINNER . . . Jay Lippman, Torrance High School senior, has been named winner of the Leo A. Carter Scholarship awarded annually by the Douglas Santa Monica Management Club. Lippman, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lippman, 3813 W. 184th St., has earned an A in each of 36 subjects. He plans to enroll in Cal Tech as a mathematics major.

## Symphony To Stage Musical

A costumed production of "Aida," the popular opera by Giuseppe Verdi, will be presented at 3 this afternoon by the Civic Symphony at the Redondo High School auditorium. Miss Elyse Aehle, conductor of the symphony, will direct.

A cast of 144 has been assembled for this afternoon's lavish production, and will feature six soloists and the El Camino College community chorus. Maxine Dessau will narrate. Singing lead roles will be Stella Hermas as Aida; Wanda Karos as Amneris; John Hudson, Rhadames; Lyle Heck, Ramfis; Enrico Porta, Amonasro; and Allesandro Sperti as Pharaoh.

Considered Verdi's masterpiece, "Aida" was commissioned by the Khedive of Egypt for the festivities celebrated on the opening of the Suez Canal. Since its first performance in Cairo in 1871, the opera has enjoyed tremendous popularity throughout the world.

## Stiff Dope Laws Do Half the Job . . . D.A.

Probable new legislation providing stiffer penalties for narcotics law violators will only half-finish the job, District Attorney William B. McKesson declared yesterday.

"I am for the stiffer penalties and have advocated them for months," McKesson explained today after hearing reports that Governor Edmund G. "Pat" Brown favored the new penalty schedule.

"However, let's not put the cart before the horse. By that I mean we have to catch and convict the offenders before they can be sentenced."

McKesson emphasized the principal problem in narcotics law enforcement is the apprehension of narcotics violators. "If a narcotic violator cannot be arrested or if his case is thrown out of court the question of penalties never arises. This problem is caused by a rule of evidence stemming

from recent court decisions which tend to handcuff peace officers in combating narcotic crimes. No question of Constitutional guarantees is involved."

McKesson urged legislative approval of other proposed measures to eliminate the effects of restrictive court decisions.

"I DO NOT advocate abridgement of any Constitutional rights, and changing the present unrealistic rules of evidence so that we can catch and convict dope addicts and peddlers certainly will not strip anyone of Constitutional protections," he said.

"I do insist that the Constitutional rights of the public to be protected from the dope addict and peddler are far superior to the individual rights of the narcotics violator to be 'protected' in the commission of their crimes."



TORRANCE BRANCH . . . Red Cross blood program chairman Mrs. Robert Orsini, 1519 Beech Ave., watches Doctor Phillip Sturgeon M.D. test blood at the Red Cross research laboratory. This laboratory which is located at the Red Cross Blood Center, 1130 South Vermont Ave., is one of two in the nation conducting research to find new blood factors and discover more ways to combat disease with blood and blood derivatives.